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## OFFICIAL REPORTS

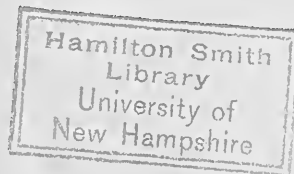
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# GROTON N. H.

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## 1938

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# ANNUAL REPORTS

— OF THE —

Selectmen, Clerk, Treasurer,  
Road Agents, School Board,  
And Other Officials

— OF THE —

# TOWN OF GROTON

— FOR —

THE YEAR ENDING JAN. 31, 1938



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**TOWN OFFICERS**

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**MODERATOR**

AGNES A. LANE

**TOWN CLERK**

SARAH DUNKERTON

**SELECTMEN**

ARLON BARTLETT

S. E. LANE

ELWIN G. GOULD

**ROAD AGENTS**

PERLEY MATTHEWS

FRED VINTON

**SNOW REMOVAL**

ERNEST MATTHEWS

**TREASURER**

SARAH DUNKERTON

**TAX COLLECTOR**

ANNIE M. ESTY

**LAND AGENTS**

SELECTMEN

**LIBRARIAN**

AGNES A. LANE

**POLICE**

HERBERT REMICK

**CONSTABLE**

ELWIN G. GOULD

**OVERSEER OF POOR**

ARLON BARTLETT

**HEALTH OFFICER**  
ELWIN G. GOULD

**AUDITORS**  
FLORA MATTHEWS      DOROTHY WHEELER  
MILDRED BARTLETT

**SCHOOL BOARD**  
FLORA MATTHEWS      ANNIE M. ESTY  
CYNTHIA WHITE

**SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK AND TREASURER**  
SARAH DUNKERTON

**TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS**  
ELWIN G. GOULD      MILDRED BARTLETT  
C. E. MATTHEWS

**LIBRARY TRUSTEES**  
FLORA MATTHEWS      EDNA D. GOULD  
DOROTHY WHEELER

## THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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To the Inhabitants of the Town of Groton in the County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House in said Groton on Tuesday, the eighth day of March, next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for year ensuing and three years.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

3. To see if the town will vote to accept the budget as prepared by the Budget Committee and make appropriations for same.

4. To see if the town will vote to give a discount of 3% on property taxes paid on or before July 15th and a discount of 2% on property taxes paid on or before August 15th.

5. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to dispose of or administer any real estate acquired by tax collector's deed.

6. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

7. To see if the town will vote to rescind the Municipal Budget act.

8. To see if the town will vote to discontinue road leading from main road to Mary L. Lamprey's place.

9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended on bridge near Butterfield's, either to build a new one, or repair old one.

10. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money to straighten and clear out brook near Perley Matthews' place and make appropriations for same.

11. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money to straighten and clean out brook at North Groton near cemetery, and make appropriation for same.

12. To raise a sum of money to blast out rocks and ledges and make appropriations for same.

13. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for culverts on River Road so called, and make appropriations for same.

14. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for blister rust control and make appropriation for same.

15. To see if the town will vote to allow W. S. H. Remick one half his tax for repair on his highway.

16. Bring in your ballots for delegate to the Constitutional Convention.

17. And to transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 21st day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty-eight.

ARLON BARTLETT,  
S. E. LANE,  
ELWIN G. GOULD,  
Selectmen of Groton.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

ARLON BARTLETT,  
S. E. LANE,  
ELWIN G. GOULD,  
Selectmen of Groton.

## BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF GROTON

Estimates of Revenues and Expenditures for the year ending Jan. 31, 1939, compared with actual Revenues and Expenditures ending Jan. 31, 1938.

| Sources of Revenue                    | Actual<br>1937 | Estimated<br>1938 |          |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|----------|
| Interest and dividend tax             | \$ 0.51        | \$ 0.51           |          |
| Savings bank tax                      | 28.08          | 28.00             |          |
| Refund on S. A. O. construction       | 3,535.27       | 3,200.00          |          |
| Bounties                              | 18.20          | 15.20             |          |
| Dog licenses                          | 40.00          | 40.00             |          |
| Interest received on 1936 taxes       | 259.05         | 100.00            |          |
| Interest received on 1937 taxes       | .67            |                   |          |
| Abatement of state tax                | 23.94          | 23.94             |          |
| E. G. Gould, junk                     | 2.00           |                   |          |
| Redemption                            | 138.87         |                   |          |
| Refund of W. P. A. loans              | 99.60          |                   |          |
| Refund from police officer            | 19.40          |                   |          |
| Auto permits                          | 165.84         | 125.00            |          |
| Poll taxes                            | 112.00         | 100.00            |          |
| Balance in treasury, 1937             | 3,062.36       | 1,426.35          |          |
|                                       | <hr/>          | <hr/>             |          |
|                                       | \$ 7,505.79    | \$ 5,059.00       | 57067.00 |
| Amount raised by property tax         | 13,606.60      | 13,606.60         | 19038.39 |
| Property and poll taxes previous year | 4,429.60       |                   |          |
|                                       | <hr/>          | <hr/>             |          |
|                                       | \$ 25,541.99   | \$ 18,665.60      | 24097.39 |

| Purposes of Expenditures  | Actual<br>1937 | Estimated<br>1938 |  |
|---------------------------|----------------|-------------------|--|
| General Government        |                |                   |  |
| Town officers' salaries   | \$ 861.90      | \$900.00          |  |
| Town officers' expenses   | 408.86         | 400.00            |  |
| Election and registration |                | 50.00             |  |
| Town hall expenses        | 20.57          | 20.00             |  |



|  | 1937         | 1938         |
|--|--------------|--------------|
| Protection of persons and property       |              |              |
| Police                                   | \$ 67.60     | \$ 50.00     |
| Fire department                          | 50.25        | 50.00        |
| Bounties                                 | 15.20        | 20.00        |
| Examination of dog                       | 7.00         |              |
| Health department                        | 3.50         |              |
| Highways and bridges, Butterfield bridge |              | 2,000.00     |
| Town maintenance                         | 2,967.62     | 4,100.00     |
| State Highway department                 | 1,348.05     | 1,541.13     |
| General expense of highway department    | 385.19       | 400.00       |
| Library                                  | 115.00       | 230.00       |
| Town poor                                | 114.50       | 150.00       |
| Unclassified                             | 504.10       | 569.10       |
| Cemeteries                               | 10.00        | 20.00        |
| Interest                                 | 570.84       | 570.84       |
| Class V roads                            | 193.08       | 195.50       |
| Taxes bought by town                     | 3,037.21     | 3,037.21     |
| State road construction                  | 3,145.62     | 850.00       |
| Spectacle pond road                      | 688.40       | 200.00       |
| Payments on notes                        | 3,000.00     | 1,000.00     |
| Deficit of previous year                 |              | 1,755.40     |
| State tax                                | 1,168.00     | 1,000.00     |
| County tax                               | 1,580.62     | 1,600.00     |
| Payment school district                  | 3,852.28     | 3,388.21     |
|  | <hr/>        | <hr/>        |
|  | \$ 24,115.39 | \$ 24,097.39 |

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTORY OF THE  
TOWN OF GROTON APRIL 1, 1937

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|                          |               |
|--------------------------|---------------|
| Lands and buildings      | \$ 268,920.00 |
| Electric plants          | 174,000.00    |
| Horses, 26               | 3,085.00      |
| Cows, 28                 | 1,345.00      |
| Neat stock, 3            | 70.00         |
| Sheep, 10                | 45.00         |
| Fowls, 70                | 65.00         |
| Portable mills           | 1,300.00      |
| Boats and launches       | 400.00        |
| Wood and lumber          | 4,400.00      |
| Gasoline pumps and tanks | 200.00        |
| Stock in trade           | 500.00        |
|                          | <hr/>         |
|                          | \$ 454,330.00 |
| Polls, 67 at \$2.00      | \$ 134.00     |
| Rate per \$100           | 4.00          |
| Soldiers' exemption      | 5,620.00      |
| Blind exemption          | 675.00        |

We certify that the above is a correct transcript of the footings of each column of taxable property, the amount of taxes levied, and the rate of taxation in the town of Groton in the year 1937.

ARLON BARTLETT,  
S. E. LANE,  
ELWIN G. GOULD,  
Selectmen of Groton.

# APPROPRIATIONS

|  |              |
|--|--------------|
| Town officers' salaries                | \$ 800.00    |
| Town officers' expenses .              | 400.00       |
| Town hall                              | 50.00        |
| Police department                      | 10.00        |
| Fire department                        | 100.00       |
| Bounties                               | 20.00        |
| Vital statistics                       | 2.50         |
| Town maintenance                       | 2,200.00     |
| Deficiency taxes bought by town, 1935  | 2,154.07     |
| Town construction                      | 1,147.05     |
| Unclassified                           | 789.83       |
| General expenses of highway department | 300.00       |
| Library                                | 100.00       |
| Town poor                              | 150.00       |
| Interest                               | 720.83       |
| Payments on principal of debt          | 3,000.00     |
| State tax                              | 1,168.00     |
| County tax                             | 1,580.62     |
| School tax                             | 3,432.18     |
|  | <hr/>        |
| Total appropriations                   | \$ 18,125.08 |

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| Less estimated revenues and credits   |              |
| Interest and dividend tax   | \$ .24       |
| Savings bank tax  | 28.97        |
| Motor vehicle permit fees   | 135.87       |
|   | <hr/>        |
|   | \$ 165.08    |
|   | <hr/>        |
|   | \$ 17,960.00 |
| Plus overlay  | 347.20       |
|   | <hr/>        |
| Net amount to be raised by taxation   | \$ 18,307.20 |
| Less poll taxes, 67 at \$2.00   | 134.00       |
|   | <hr/>        |
| Amount to be raised by property taxes on<br>which town tax is figured, tax rate<br>\$4.00 | \$ 18,173.20 |
| Taxes to be committed to collector  |              |
| Property taxes  | \$ 18,173.20 |
| Poll taxes  | 134.00       |
|   | <hr/>        |
| Total taxes to be committed to collector  | \$ 18,307.20 |

### SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| Town hall, lands and buildings  | \$ 1,200.00 |
| Furniture and equipment   | 200.00      |
| Library, land and buildings   | 1,200.00    |
| Furniture and equipment   | 100.00      |
| Highway department, lands and buildings                                       | 700.00      |
| Equipment   | 2,500.00    |
| Schools, land and buildings   | 2,200.00    |
| Equipment   | 600.00      |
| Land and buildings acquired through tax collector's deeds, assessed valuation | 150.00      |
|   | <hr/>       |
|   | \$ 8,850.00 |

## TOWN OF GROTON BALANCE SHEET

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Jan. 31, 1938

### ASSETS

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| Cash in hands of treasurer                            | \$ 1,426.35  |
| Due from state, bounties                              | 15.20        |
| Mortgage and notes owned by town                      | 352.80       |
| Unredeemed taxes, current and previous years<br>sales | 10,693.61    |
| Uncollected taxes, levy 1937                          | 4,332.44     |
| Uncollected taxes, levy 1936                          | 202.75       |
|   | <hr/>        |
| Total assets  | \$ 17,023.15 |

### LIABILITIES

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| Outstanding temporary loans                 | \$ 9,000.00  |
| School tax                                  | 1,000.00     |
| Trust funds                                 | 150.00       |
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| Total liabilities                           | \$ 10,150.00 |
| Excess of assets over liabilities (surplus) | 6,873.15     |
|   | <hr/>        |
| Grand total                                 | \$ 17,023.15 |

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

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|--|-----------|
| Tax collected for auto permits from Feb. 1,<br>1937 to Dec. 31, 1937 | \$ 160.52 |
| Cash on hand, Feb. 1, 1937   | 5.32      |
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| Total  | \$ 165.84 |
| Dog tax collected  | \$ 40.00  |
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| Total receipts   | \$ 205.84 |

SARAH DUNKERTON,  
Town Clerk.

Examined and found correct.

FLORA MATTHEWS,  
MILDRED BARTLETT,  
DOROTHY H. WHEELER,  
Auditors.

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

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|                             |          |             |
|-----------------------------|----------|-------------|
| 1936 poll tax collected     | \$ 28.00 |             |
| 1936 property tax collected | 4,401.60 |             |
|                             | <hr/>    | \$ 4,429.60 |
| Interest                    |          | 259.05      |
|                             |          | <hr/>       |
|                             |          | \$ 4,688.65 |

WARREN A. REMICK,  
Collector.

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## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

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|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Amount of warrant for 1937  | \$ 18,307.20 |              |
| Added tax                   | 64.00        |              |
|                             | <hr/>        | \$ 18,371.20 |
| 1937 poll tax collected     | \$ 112.00    |              |
| 1937 property tax collected | 13,606.60    |              |
| Uncollected taxes           | 4,332.44     |              |
| Discount of 3%              | 320.16       |              |
|                             | <hr/>        | \$ 18,371.20 |
| Interest                    |              | .67          |

ANNIE M. ESTY,  
Collector.

Examined and found correct.

DOROTHY H. WHEELER,  
FLORA MATTHEWS,  
MILDRED BARTLETT,  
Auditors.

Feb. 21, 1938.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

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Balance in treasury Jan. 31, 1937 \$ 3,062.36

### RECEIPTS

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| Town clerk, auto permits  | \$ 165.84    |
| Town clerk, dog licenses  | 40.00        |
| Warren A. Remick, collector, 1936 property tax                      | 4,401.60     |
| Warren A. Remick, collector, 1936 interest                          | 259.05       |
| Warren A. Remick, collector, 1936 poll tax                          | 28.00        |
| Warren A. Remick, collector, 1934 tax redeemed                      | 45.27        |
| Annie M. Esty, collector, 1937 property tax                         | 13,606.60    |
| Annie M. Esty, collector, 1937 interest                             | .67          |
| Annie M. Esty, collector, 1937 poll tax                             | 112.00       |
| Herbert W. Remick, refund on WPA project                            | 3.60         |
| Robert Kinne, refund on WPA project                                 | 71.00        |
| Arlon Bartlett, refund on WPA project                               | 25.00        |
| E. G. Gould, refund from state of New Hampshire on 1935-36 bounties | 18.20        |
| E. G. Gould, sale of junk road machine                              | 2.00         |
| E. G. Gould, Charlie Hart, 1935 tax redeemed                        | 48.10        |
| E. G. Gould, Albert McCornish, 1936 tax redeemed                    | 45.50        |
| Savings bank tax  | 28.08        |
| Abatement of state tax  | 23.94        |
| Distribution of interest and dividend tax                           | .51          |
| Herbert Remick, refund on police duty                               | 19.40        |
| Money advanced on Pond road   | 543.20       |
| Money advanced on S. A. O.  | 2,992.07     |
| Total receipts  | \$ 25,541.99 |



|                              |              |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| Less selectmen's orders paid | \$ 24,115.39 |
|------------------------------|--------------|

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|  |             |
|--|-------------|
|  | \$ 1,426.60 |
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|             |     |
|-------------|-----|
| Bank charge | .25 |
|-------------|-----|

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|                                   |             |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Balance in treasury Jan. 31, 1938 | \$ 1,426.35 |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|

Respectfully submitted,

SARAH DUNKERTON,

Treasurer.

Examined and found correct.

FLORA MATTHEWS,

MILDRED BARTLETT,

DOROTHY H. WHEELER,

Auditors.

Feb. 11, 1938

## SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

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### RECEIPTS

|  |              |
|--|--------------|
| Amount committed to collector                              | \$ 18,371.20 |
| Less uncollected and discounts                             | 4,652.60     |
|  | <hr/>        |
| Property tax, current year, actually collected             | \$ 13,600.60 |
| Poll taxes, current year, actually collected               | 94.00        |
| Added tax, polls   | 18.00        |
| Added tax, property  | 6.00         |
| Property and poll taxes, previous year, actually collected | 4,429.60     |
| State road money   | 3,535.27     |
| Interest and dividend tax                                  | .51          |
| Savings bank tax   | 28.08        |
| Abatement of state taxes                                   | 23.94        |
| State treasurer, bounties                                  | 18.20        |
| Local sources except taxes                                 |              |
| Redemptions  | 138.87       |
| Dog tax  | 40.00        |
| Auto permits   | 165.84       |
| Interest on 1936 taxes                                     | 259.05       |
| E. G. Gould  | 2.00         |
| Interest on 1937 taxes                                     | .67          |
| Refund WPA loan  | 99.60        |
| Refund from police officer                                 | 19.40        |
| Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1937                               | 3,062.36     |
|  | <hr/>        |
|  | \$ 25,541.99 |

## PAYMENTS

|                                     |              |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| General government                  |              |
| Town officers' salaries             | \$ 861.90    |
| Town officers' expenses             | 408.86       |
| Town hall                           | 20.57        |
| Police department                   | 67.60        |
| Fire department                     | 50.25        |
| Bounties                            | 15.20        |
| Examination of dog                  | 7.00         |
| Health department                   | 3.50         |
| Town maintenance                    | 2,967.62     |
| General expenses highway department | 385.19       |
| Libraries                           | 115.00       |
| Town poor                           | 49.50        |
| Cemeteries                          | 10.00        |
| Abatements                          | 379.35       |
| Taxes bought by town                | 3,037.21     |
| Interest on loans                   | 570.84       |
| S. A. O. Construction               | 3,145.62     |
| Pond road                           | 688.40       |
| Payments on notes                   | 3,000.00     |
| Unclassified                        | 189.75       |
| State tax                           | 1,168.00     |
| County tax                          | 1,580.62     |
| Payment to school                   | 3,852.28     |
| State Highway department            | 1,541.13     |
|                                     | <hr/>        |
|                                     | \$ 24,115.39 |

## DETAIL STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

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### GENERAL GOVERNMENT

#### TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

|  |           |
|--|-----------|
| Flora Matthews, auditor                                      | \$ 14.20  |
| Dorothy Wheeler, auditor                                     | 12.80     |
| Flora Matthews, library trustee, librarian's<br>salary, 1936 | 15.00     |
| S. E. Lane, selectman  | 250.40    |
| E. G. Gould, selectman                                       | 217.80    |
| Arlon Bartlett, selectman                                    | 106.60    |
| Annie Esty, collector  | 79.80     |
| Sarah Dunkerton  | 110.00    |
| Edythe Newton, supervisor                                    | 8.75      |
| Arlon Bartlett, overseer                                     | 25.00     |
| Agnes Lane, librarian  | 18.75     |
| Agnes Lane, moderator  | 2.80      |
|  | <hr/>     |
|  | \$ 861.90 |

#### TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

|                                    |           |
|------------------------------------|-----------|
| Dorothy Wheeler, postage           | \$ 0.35   |
| S. E. Lane, selectman's expenses   | 165.90    |
| E. G. Gould, selectman             | 62.61     |
| Arlon Bartlett, selectman          | 80.00     |
| Ed Dunkerton, car hire             | 5.00      |
| Thomas Newton, car hire            | 10.00     |
| John Ray, bonds                    | 55.00     |
| Sarah Dunkerton, expenses          | 20.00     |
| S. E. Lane, expenses due from 1936 | 10.00     |
|                                    | <hr/>     |
|                                    | \$ 408.86 |

#### MISCELLANEOUS BILLS

|                         |          |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Arthur Brown, janitor   | \$ 10.00 |
| Arthur Brown, caretaker | 10.00    |

|  |              |
|--|--------------|
| Lester M. Avery, lumber                                | \$ 10.57     |
| Herbert Remick, police                                 | 67.60        |
| E. G. Gould, deputy fire warden                        | 17.15        |
| S. E. Lane, fire warden                                | 33.10        |
| John H. Westfall, examining dog                        | 7.00         |
| H. P. Watts, bounty                                    | 5.00         |
| John Glines, bounty                                    | 5.00         |
| E. G. Gould, bounty                                    | 4.60         |
| Arlon Bartlett, bounty                                 | .60          |
| E. G. Gould, health officer                            | 3.00         |
| Dr. J. W. Coolidge, vital statistics                   | .50          |
| Sarah Dunkerton, town clerk                            | 22.48        |
| Flora Matthews, library treasurer                      | 115.00       |
| F. E. Matthews, medical attendance                     | 65.00        |
| Grafton county   | 49.50        |
| W. A. Remick, collector, abatements                    | 261.35       |
| Annie Esty, collector, abatement                       | 118.00       |
| Edson C. Eastman, supplies                             | 12.12        |
| Musgrove Printing House, reports                       | 81.90        |
| Association N. H. Assessors                            | 2.00         |
| Register of deeds, transfers                           | 6.25         |
| Warren Remick, tax sales                               | 3,037.21     |
| Pemigewasset National Bank, interest                   | 463.34       |
| Agnes A. Lane, interest                                | 100.00       |
| Trustees of trust funds, interest                      | 7.50         |
| Pemigewasset National Bank, payment on note            | 3,000.00     |
| State treasurer, tax                                   | 1,168.00     |
| County tax   | 1,580.62     |
| School district  | 3,852.28     |
| State treasurer, Highway dept., T. R. A.               | 193.08       |
| State treasurer, Highway dept., S. A. O.               | 1,055.40     |
| State treasurer, Highway dept., Spectacle<br>Pond road | 292.65       |
|  | <hr/>        |
|  | \$ 15,657.80 |

## ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

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### South End—Supervision of Perley Matthews

|                                   |             |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Perley D. Matthews and truck      | \$ 403.40   |
| Ernest Matthews, labor            | 81.20       |
| Carroll Matthews and truck        | 114.80      |
| F. E. Matthews, labor             | 36.00       |
| C. E. Matthews, gravel            | 20.00       |
| O. G. Matthews, labor             | 20.30       |
| Floyd Colby, labor                | 91.40       |
| Elmer Woodard, labor              | 38.60       |
| Perley Woodard, labor             | 1.20        |
| Clifton Hutchins, labor           | 14.80       |
| Laurice Esty, labor               | 30.20       |
| H. Butterfield, labor             | 13.55       |
| F. Butterfield, labor and team    | 24.98       |
| I. Emerson, labor                 | 5.20        |
| S. Dunkerton, gravel              | 15.16       |
| E. Dunkerton, labor               | 20.40       |
| Ray Newton, labor                 | 3.60        |
| S. E. Lane, team                  | 2.63        |
| Thomas Newton, truck              | 20.80       |
| George McTavier, labor            | 16.40       |
| Karl Wheeler, lumber              | 15.27       |
| George Hikel, labor               | 36.60       |
| H. W. Remick, labor               | 9.20        |
| Walter Merrill, dynamite and caps | 12.75       |
| Eliza Haines, sand                | 7.05        |
| Clarence Remick, labor            | 9.00        |
| Bartlett & Remick, truck          | 18.00       |
|                                   | <hr/>       |
|                                   | \$ 1,082.49 |

### North End—Supervision of Fred Vinton

|                          |             |
|--------------------------|-------------|
| Fred Vinton, foreman     | \$ 301.00   |
| Elwin Gould, labor       | 118.00      |
| W. J. Allen, labor       | 125.20      |
| R. B. Kinne, labor       | 80.00       |
| E. M. Stevens, team      | 211.40      |
| Mike Parris, labor       | 2.40        |
| S. E. Lane, truck        | 14.40       |
| Walter Bowles, labor     | 5.40        |
| Preston Bickford, labor  | 48.80       |
| Hugo Futterer, labor     | 11.20       |
| Ed. Dunkerton, labor     | 7.60        |
| Clarence Remick, labor   | 9.60        |
| Arlon Bartlett, truck    | 19.20       |
| C. G. Matthews and truck | 33.60       |
| Z. G. Taylor, gravel     | 3.90        |
| Lena Marshall, gravel    | 7.80        |
| Mr. Pratt, gravel        | .50         |
| Elwin Gould, Fuller road | 25.00       |
|                          | <hr/>       |
|                          | \$ 1,025.00 |

### SNOW REMOVAL

#### Supervision of E. E. Matthews

|                          |           |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| E. E. Matthews, foreman  | \$ 155.56 |
| F. E. Woodard, labor     | 53.70     |
| P. R. Woodard, labor     | 26.30     |
| F. E. Matthews, labor    | 9.05      |
| P. D. Matthews and truck | 36.00     |
| C. G. Matthews and truck | 118.70    |
| O. G. Matthews, labor    | 2.00      |
| F. H. Colby, labor       | 16.80     |
| Ed. Dunkerton, labor     | 7.20      |
| Laurice Esty, labor      | 11.25     |
| Clarence Remick, labor   | 9.00      |

|                               |           |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| Irvin Emerson, labor          | \$ 4.80   |
| Morris Decker, labor          | 6.80      |
| W. A. Remick, labor           | 8.20      |
| H. G. Patterson, labor        | 3.60      |
| Raymond Patterson, labor      | 2.00      |
| John Patterson, labor         | 3.50      |
| Fred Vinton, labor            | 6.80      |
| E. G. Gould, labor            | 24.00     |
| Walter Stevens, labor         | 2.80      |
| H. Crawford, labor            | 2.00      |
| Isaac Burnham, labor          | 12.20     |
| W. A. Remick, gas and alcohol | 98.59     |
| John Cordon, gas              | 9.45      |
| Arlon Bartlett, labor         | 10.00     |
| Blue Sign Garage, labor       | 1.04      |
| Jones Auto Co., labor         | 10.00     |
| W. R. Merrill, sand           | 7.80      |
|                               | <hr/>     |
|                               | \$ 663.14 |
| Supervision of W. A. Remick   | 160.14    |
|                               | <hr/>     |
| Total                         | \$ 823.28 |

## STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

### S. E. Lane, Foreman

|                |           |
|----------------|-----------|
| S. E. Lane     | \$ 475.86 |
| E. G. Gould    | 106.40    |
| N. Adams       | 99.20     |
| F. E. Woodard  | 51.20     |
| Perley Woodard | 53.20     |
| Floyd Colby    | 73.20     |
| Charlie White  | 89.60     |
| Sherwin Day    | 73.20     |
| R. B. Kinne    | 85.60     |
| H. W. Remick   | 28.00     |



|                                |             |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Walter Bowles                  | \$ 58.80    |
| Hugo Futterer                  | 75.20       |
| F. E. Butterfield              | 66.00       |
| H. F. Butterfield              | 56.80       |
| P. D. Matthews                 | 196.80      |
| C. G. Matthews                 | 223.20      |
| Arlon Bartlett                 | 104.80      |
| Clarence Remick                | 68.80       |
| Sarah Dunkerton, gravel        | 147.80      |
| Ned Albert                     | 320.35      |
| Thomas Newton                  | 135.00      |
| Kenneth Bickford               | 48.00       |
| Preston Bickford               | 52.00       |
| C. Hutchins                    | 53.20       |
| O. G. Matthews                 | 28.40       |
| Rachel Remick                  | 28.40       |
| W. J. Allen                    | 68.80       |
| C. E. Matthews, gravel         | 111.00      |
| F. E. Matthews, labor          | 27.20       |
| Ed. Dunkerton, labor           | 10.80       |
| Karl Wheeler, lumber           | 34.98       |
| L. M. Avery, cement and lumber | 69.44       |
| A. M. Rand, metal              | 4.44        |
| Katie Brown, rocks             | 19.95       |
| <hr/>                          |             |
| Total orders from town         | \$ 3,145.62 |
| Reginald Morrill, labor        | 3.60        |
| Flora Remick, spikes and twine | 3.75        |
| Ned Albert                     | 2.00        |
| <hr/>                          |             |
| Total                          | \$ 3,154.97 |

## POND ROAD SPECIAL

## S. E. Lane, Foreman

|                         |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Nicholas Adams          | \$ 61.20  |
| H. W. Remick            | 54.00     |
| F. E. Butterfield       | 23.60     |
| H. F. Butterfield       | 42.00     |
| C. G. Matthews          | 90.00     |
| S. E. Lane              | 198.00    |
| P. D. Matthews          | 58.80     |
| Sherwin Day             | 57.60     |
| Elmer Woodard           | 26.80     |
| Perley Woodard          | 24.80     |
| Clarence Remick         | 16.00     |
| Floyd Colby             | 7.20      |
| E. E. Matthews          | 12.20     |
| Sarah Dunkerton, gravel | 12.60     |
| C. E. Matthews, gravel  | 3.60      |
| <hr/>                   |           |
| Total orders from town  | \$ 688.40 |
| C. E. Matthews, gravel  | 25.00     |
| Sarah Dunkerton         | 17.10     |
| <hr/>                   |           |
| From state, total       | \$ 730.50 |

## MISCELLANEOUS ROAD BILLS

|                                       |           |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| Fred Vinton, balance of 1936          | \$ 5.60   |
| Clifton Hutchins, balance of 1936     | 18.40     |
| I. W. Emerson, balance of 1936        | 6.40      |
| Mike Parris, balance of 1936          | 6.45      |
| P. I. Perkins, tractor parts          | 201.86    |
| State Highway Garage, repairs to plow | 83.75     |
| Arlon Bartlett, trip with plow        | 25.00     |
| Blue Sign Garage, labor on tractor    | 74.58     |
| <hr/>                                 |           |
|                                       | \$ 422.04 |

### AUDITORS' REPORT

We, the undersigned, having examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Road Agents, Treasurer, Tax Collector and Town Clerk, find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

FLORA MATTHEWS,  
DOROTHY H. WHEELER,  
MILDRED BARTLETT,  
Auditors.

## REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS

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|                           |           |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Town of Groton note       | \$ 150.00 |
| In treasury Jan. 31, 1937 | \$ 2.74   |
| Interest                  | 7.50      |
|                           | <hr/>     |
| In treasury Feb. 1, 1938  | \$ 10.24  |

Examined and found correct.

FLORA MATTHEWS,  
DOROTHY H. WHEELER,  
MILDRED BARTLETT,  
Auditors.

# ANNUAL REPORT OF LIBRARY TREASURER

## PAYMENTS

1937

|       |    |   |          |
|-------|----|---|----------|
| Feb.  | 27 | Charles Magoon, material and labor                    | \$ 16.83 |
| Mar.  | 6  | Charles Magoon, labor                                 | 12.00    |
|       | 10 | Perley Matthews, moving books                         | 3.00     |
|       | 12 | Ralph Miles, coloring, shellac, turpentine            | 1.50     |
|       | 13 | Perley Matthews, labor                                | 5.33     |
|       |    | F. E. Matthews, labor                                 | 2.17     |
|       |    | Charles Magoon, labor                                 | 12.00    |
|       | 18 | Perley Matthews, 2 qt. turpentine                     | .50      |
|       | 19 | Charles Magoon, labor                                 | 6.84     |
| Apr.  | 5  | Elmer Matthews, labor                                 | 6.00     |
|       |    | Agnes Lane, glue                                      | .85      |
|       | 7  | Frank Wells, plywood                                  | 2.86     |
|       |    | Follansbee & Mitchell, material                       | 5.43     |
|       | 13 | Sears Roebuck Co., linoleum                           | 51.05    |
|       | 27 | Thomas Newton, freight and cartage                    | 2.00     |
| May   | 10 | Floyd Colby, grading, 4 hrs.                          | 1.33     |
|       |    | Clifton Hutchins, grading, 3 hrs.                     | 1.00     |
| June  | 19 | Floyd Colby, grading, and fixing<br>linoleum, 16 hrs. | 5.33     |
|       |    | Ernest Matthews, fixing linoleum, 16 hrs.             | 5.33     |
|       |    | Elmer Woodward, fixing linoleum,<br>14 hrs.           | 4.67     |
|       |    | Clifton Hutchins, fixing linoleum, 14 hrs.            | 4.67     |
| July  | 3  | Perley Matthews and truck, 3 hrs.                     | 3.00     |
| Aug.  | 12 | Carroll Matthews, 9 hrs., 1 hr. with<br>truck         | \$ 4.00  |
|       |    | Jones Auto Co., fixing key for annex                  | .90      |
|       | 26 | Graylord Bros., book ends and cabinet                 | 27.50    |
| Sept. | 25 | H. R. Hutting & Co., Inc., book cards                 | 3.80     |
|       |    | Library Book House, books, 1936                       | 9.23     |

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|      |    |  |         |
|------|----|--|---------|
| Jan. | 8  | Library Book House, books, 1936  | \$ 0.57 |
|      | 27 | John Cordon, roofing   | 2.00    |
|      | 28 | Ned Braley, rocks for walk   | 3.00    |
|      |    | Mary Musgrove, paper and cards   | 1.28    |
|      |    | Flora Matthews, postage on books,<br>Rowell cartage, librarian (25<br>stamped envelopes, 25 post<br>cards), glue | 2.76    |
|      | 30 | Womrath Bookshops and Libraries,<br>Inc., books, 1937  | 11.05   |
|      |    | Cavis Bros., glass and material  | 1.94    |

## RECEIPTS

1937

|      |    |                                 |          |
|------|----|---------------------------------|----------|
| Feb. | 1  | Cash on hand                    | \$ 39.79 |
|      |    | Town for librarian's salary     | 15.00    |
| Mar. | 19 | Town for repairs                | 100.00   |
|      |    | Dinner                          | 7.91     |
|      |    | Paint sold                      | 5.65     |
|      |    | Bingo parties                   | 6.35     |
|      |    | 1 bag cement                    | .77      |
| Aug. | 11 | Groton Neighborhood Club        | 20.00    |
|      |    | Groton Neighborhood Club supper | 8.59     |
|      |    | Refund on book ends             | 3.90     |
|      |    | Groton Neighborhood Club supper | 3.96     |

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|      |    |                |           |
|------|----|----------------|-----------|
| Jan. | 21 | Town for books | 15.00     |
|      |    | Total receipts | \$ 226.92 |
|      |    | Total payments | 225.72    |

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|  |  |                                     |         |
|--|--|-------------------------------------|---------|
|  |  | Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1938           | \$ 1.20 |
|  |  | In hands of librarian, Feb. 1, 1937 | \$ 0.22 |
|  |  | Postage                             | .18     |
|  |  | In hands of librarian, Jan. 1, 1938 | \$ 0.04 |

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## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

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### RESOURCES

|   |       |
|---|-------|
| Books owned Feb. 1, 1937                      | 1,986 |
| Books added by gifts                          | 201   |
| Books bought by town                          | 60    |
|   | <hr/> |
|   | 2,247 |
| Books discarded by state field worker         | 398   |
|   | <hr/> |
| Books owned Jan. 31, 1938                     | 1,849 |
| Books borrowed from Public Library Commission | 70    |
| Publications currently received               | 5     |
| Magazines currently contributed               | 11    |

### SERVICE

|                             |       |
|-----------------------------|-------|
| Volumes of non-fiction lent | 76    |
| Volumes of fiction lent     | 925   |
| Magazines lent              | 238   |
|                             | <hr/> |
| Total current circulation   | 1,239 |
| New borrowers               | 43    |
| Regular borrowers           | 17    |
|                             | <hr/> |
| Total borrowers             | 60    |

AGNES A. LANE, Librarian.

## VITAL STATISTICS

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For the year ending Dec. 31, 1937

### BIRTHS

In Groton, N. H., May 3, 1937, a daughter, Mildred Frances, to Francis R. Bean and Goldie Gage Bean of Groton.

In Groton, N. H., May 19, 1937, a son, Clayton Edward, to Edward G. Dunkerton and Delma Mortensen Dunkerton of Groton.

At Franklin, N. H., Dec. 14, 1937, a daughter, Donna Mae, to Irving W. Emerson and Helen Hamblett Emerson of Groton.

In Groton, N. H., Dec. 15, 1937, a daughter, Beverly Mary, to Charlie White and Eva Albert White of Groton.

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### MARRIAGES

At Hebron, N. H., March 7, 1937, by Rev. R. Barclay Simmons, Edward J. Ford of Haverhill, Mass., and Anne E. Newman of Malden, Mass.

At Plymouth, N. H., June 26, 1937, by Rev. A. Brownlow Thompson, Charlie P. White of Groton, son of Fred and Cynthia J. White of Groton, to Eva M. Albert of Groton, daughter of Edward and Elsie Albert of Groton.

At Rumney, N. H., Aug. 1, 1937, by Rev. Leonard P. Edwards, Horace G. Patterson of Rumney, son of Otto A. and Minnie F. Patterson of Rumney, to Mary A. Gould of Groton, daughter of Elwin G. and Edna D. Gould of Groton.



At Hebron, N. H., Aug. 22, 1937, by Rev. R. Barclay Simmons, Floyd Colby of Groton, son of Calvin Colby of Topsham, Vt., and Flora Matthews of Groton, to Lillian E. Hobart of Hebron, daughter of Frank W. and Edna Hobart of Hebron.

At Plymouth, N. H., Aug. 23, 1937, by Rev. Hector A. Benoit, George Clinton Ennis of Littleton, son of Arthur J. and Etta Ennis of Littleton, to Elizabeth M. Lane of Groton, daughter of Samuel E. and Agnes A. Lane of Groton.

At Plymouth, N. H., Oct. 2, 1937, by Rev. John C. Prince, Harold Clifton Tibbitts of Canaan, son of Ernest and Anna Tibbitts of Canaan, to Lora Bell Remick of Groton, daughter of Herbert W. and Dorothy Remick of Groton.

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## DEATHS

In Groton, N. H., Dec. 17, 1937, Bert H. Gould of Groton, aged 82 years, 5 months, 16 days, son of Harry and Cassandra Dalton Gould.

I hereby certify that the above records are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

SARAH DUNKERTON,  
Town Clerk.

**ANNUAL REPORT OF  
GROTON SCHOOL DISTRICT**

1937-38

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**SCHOOL DIRECTORY**

**District Officers**

|                         |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Mrs. Agnes A. Lane      | Moderator |
| Mrs. Sarah A. Dunkerton | Treasurer |
| Mrs. Sarah A. Dunkerton | Clerk     |
| Mrs. Dorothy Wheeler    | Auditor   |

**School Board**

|                     |                   |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| Mrs. Flora Matthews | Term expires 1938 |
| Mrs. Annie Esty     | Term expires 1939 |
| Mrs. Cynthia White  | Term expires 1940 |

**Teachers**

|                   |              |
|-------------------|--------------|
| Mrs. Zelma Watts  | South Groton |
| Mrs. Myrtle Craig | North Groton |

**Superintendent of Schools**

Earl P. Freese

**FINANCIAL REPORT**  
of  
**School Treasurer and School Board**  
Fiscal year ending June 30, 1937  
**Treasurer's Report**

Summary:

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| Cash on hand June 30, 1936                          | \$ 227.85   |
| From selectmen by taxation                          | 3,318.39    |
| From selectmen by balance of previous appropriation | 281.50      |
| From selectmen by dog tax                           | 32.76       |
| From state treasurer, state aid                     | 116.45      |
| From other sources                                  | 4.36        |
|   | <hr/>       |
| Received from all sources                           | \$ 3,981.31 |
| Less school board orders paid                       | 3,864.32    |
|   | <hr/>       |
| Balance on hand June 30, 1937                       | \$ 116.99   |

**Auditor's Certificate**

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Groton, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1937, and find them correct in all respects.

July 14, 1937.

DOROTHY WHEELER,  
Auditor.

## School Board's Report

Year ending June 30, 1937

### Receipts:

|                                 |           |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| From state treasurer, state aid | \$ 116.45 |
| From selectmen by taxation      | 3,599.89  |
| From selectmen, dog licenses    | 32.76     |
| From elementary school tuitions | 3.36      |
| From sale of property           | 1.00      |

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|                                 |             |
|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Total receipts from all sources | \$ 3,753.46 |
| Cash on hand July 1, 1936       | 227.85      |

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|             |             |
|-------------|-------------|
| Grand total | \$ 3,981.31 |
|-------------|-------------|

### Auditor's Certificate

This is to certify that I have examined the books and other financial records of the school board of Groton, of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1937, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

July 14, 1937.

DOROTHY WHEELER,  
Auditor.

### Detailed Report of Expenditures

|                                |           |
|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Salaries of district officers  |           |
| Cynthia A. White, school board | \$ 40.00  |
| Annie M. Esty, school board    | 25.00     |
| Flora Matthews, school board   | 20.00     |
| Sarah Dunkerton, treasurer     | 20.00     |
| Dorothy H. Wheeler, auditor    | 1.25      |
| Agnes Lane, moderator          | 1.20      |
|                                | <hr/>     |
|                                | \$ 107.45 |

|                                    |             |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Superintendent's salary            |             |
| Charles T. Patten, state treasurer | \$ 100.00   |
| Truant Officer and School Census   |             |
| Flora Matthews, taking census      | \$ 10.60    |
| R. E. Lane, census cards           | .90         |
|                                    | <hr/>       |
| Total                              | \$ 11.50    |
| Expense of administration          |             |
| Flora Matthews, office expense     | \$21.89     |
| Cynthia White, office expense      | 10.27       |
| Edson C. Eastman, vouchers         | 7.20        |
| John C. Ray, treasurer's bond      | 5.00        |
| W. A. Remick, telephone charges    | .90         |
| Annie Esty, office expense         | .50         |
|                                    | <hr/>       |
| Total                              | \$ 45.76    |
| Teachers' salaries                 |             |
| Mrs. Zelma Watts                   | \$ 885.00   |
| Mrs. Ida Sirrine                   | 885.00      |
|                                    | <hr/>       |
| Total                              | \$ 1,770.00 |
| Text book                          |             |
| Beckley Cardy Co.                  | \$ 11.09    |
| Macmillan Co.                      | 7.15        |
| Silver Burdett Co.                 | 6.49        |
| Plymouth School District           | 5.60        |
| Zelma Watts                        | 4.05        |
| American Book Co.                  | 3.83        |
| Ida Sirrine                        | 3.75        |
| Scott Foresman Co.                 | 2.38        |
| Allyn & Bacon                      | 1.50        |
| Flora Matthews                     | .20         |
|                                    | <hr/>       |
| Total                              | \$ 46.04    |

## Scholars' supplies

|                          |          |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Milton Bradley Co.       | \$ 17.85 |
| Plymouth School District | 12.13    |
| Philip M. James          | 7.84     |
| Paper Crafters           | 5.25     |
| Macmillan Co.            | 2.10     |
| Allyn & Bacon            | 1.80     |

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Total \$ 46.97

## Other expenses of instruction

|                   |         |
|-------------------|---------|
| C. C. Barton      | \$ 4.25 |
| Flora Matthews    | 2.50    |
| Howard & Brown    | 1.40    |
| J. L. Hammett Co. | 1.31    |

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Total \$ 9.46

## Janitor Services

|             |          |
|-------------|----------|
| Zelma Watts | \$ 36.00 |
| Ida Sirrine | 36.00    |

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Total \$ 72.00

## Fuel

|                 |          |
|-----------------|----------|
| Perley Matthews | \$ 66.00 |
| Cynthia White   | 31.00    |
| Zelma Watts     | 4.00     |
| Fred White      | 15.00    |

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Total \$ 116.00

## Janitor Supplies

|                          |          |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Ed. E. Babb & Co.        | \$ 11.65 |
| Cheshire Chemical Co.    | 6.60     |
| Perley Matthews          | 5.60     |
| Plymouth School District | 3.45     |

|                |         |
|----------------|---------|
| W. A. Remick   | \$ 1.13 |
| Flora Matthews | .49     |

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|       |          |
|-------|----------|
| Total | \$ 28.92 |
|-------|----------|

## Minor Repairs and Expenses

|                       |          |
|-----------------------|----------|
| Fred J. White         | \$ 18.60 |
| Frank Matthews        | 6.80     |
| Cynthia White         | 6.35     |
| Annie M. Esty         | 6.00     |
| Lester M. Avery       | 5.31     |
| Howard Proulx         | 2.50     |
| A. M. Rand            | 1.36     |
| P. A. Hurd            | 1.20     |
| Follansbee & Mitchell | .72      |
| Karl Wheeler          | .40      |
| Perley Matthews       | .40      |
| Edgar Albert          | .40      |

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|       |          |
|-------|----------|
| Total | \$ 50.04 |
|-------|----------|

## Medical Inspection

|                         |          |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Mrs. Anna Lovett, R. N. | \$ 51.51 |
|-------------------------|----------|

## Transportation

|                |           |
|----------------|-----------|
| Flora Matthews | \$ 360.00 |
| Arthur Fuller  | 305.10    |

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|       |           |
|-------|-----------|
| Total | \$ 665.10 |
|-------|-----------|

## High School Tuition

|          |          |
|----------|----------|
| Laconia  | \$ 76.00 |
| Plymouth | 30.18    |

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|       |           |
|-------|-----------|
| Total | \$ 106.18 |
|-------|-----------|

|                            |             |
|----------------------------|-------------|
| Elementary Tuition         |             |
| Dorchester School District | \$ 134.97   |
| Rumney School District     | 129.00      |
|                            | <hr/>       |
| Total                      | \$ 263.97   |
| Per Capita Tax             |             |
| State treasurer            | \$ 82.00    |
| Painting and Repairs       |             |
| Charles Magoon             | \$ 91.70    |
| Roxbury Hardware Co.       | 59.80       |
| Keezer Bros.               | 23.75       |
| P. A. Hurd                 | 10.40       |
| Flora Matthews             | 8.39        |
| Perley Matthews            | 2.00        |
| Violet Parris              | 1.50        |
|                            | <hr/>       |
| Total                      | \$ 197.54   |
| New Equipment              |             |
| Sears Roebuck Co.          | \$ 33.88    |
| Bills Previous Year        |             |
| Katie E. Brown, fuel       | \$ 60.00    |
|                            | <hr/>       |
| Total payments             | \$ 3,864.32 |

### Balance Sheet

|                                   |           |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| Assets                            |           |
| Cash on hand June 30, 1937        | \$ 116.99 |
| Liabilities                       | None      |
|                                   | <hr/>     |
| Excess of assets over liabilities | \$ 116.99 |



### Certificate

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Public Laws 1926, chapter 68:22, and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

July 14, 1937.

CYNTHIA A. WHITE,  
FLORA MATTHEWS,  
ANNIE M. ESTY,  
School Board.

### Attendance Statistics—1936-37

|                             | South     | North     | Total<br>Average |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|------------------|
| ½ Days schools in session   | 340.0     | 346.0     | 343.0            |
| Total pupils registered     | 28.0      | 17.0      | 45.0             |
| Average daily attendance    | 15.9      | 14.4      | 30.3             |
| Average daily absence       | 1.8       | 1.1       | 2.9              |
| Average membership          | 17.7      | 15.5      | 33.2             |
| Per cent attendance         | 89.9      | 92.6      | 91.2             |
| Per cent promotion          | 78.5      | 100.0     | 89.2             |
| Tardiness per pupil         | 2.1       | .1        | 2.2              |
| Visits by superintendent    | 12.0      | 8.0       | 20.0             |
| Visits by school nurse      | 8.0       | 5.0       | 13.0             |
| Visits by school board      | 3.0       | 6.0       | 9.0              |
| Visits by citizens          | 18.0      | 41.0      | 59.0             |
| Pupils not tardy nor absent | 0.0       | 0.0       | 0.0              |
| Teachers' salaries          | \$ 885.00 | \$ 885.00 | \$ 885.00        |

### Attendance Report

Sept. 7, 1937 to Dec. 31, 1937

| School       | Sessions | Attend-<br>ance | Tardy | Enroll-<br>ment | Supt's<br>Visits | Nurse's<br>Visits |
|--------------|----------|-----------------|-------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|
| North Groton | 142      | 96.2%           | 7     | 12              | 5                | 4                 |
| South Groton | 142      | 91.4%           | 38    | 25              | 8                | 5                 |
| Total        |          | 93.8%           | 45    | 37              | 13               | 9                 |

### Enrollment—Dec. 31, 1937

| School       | Grades |   |   |   |    |   |   |   | Total |
|--------------|--------|---|---|---|----|---|---|---|-------|
|              | 1      | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5  | 6 | 7 | 8 |       |
| North Groton | 0      | 5 | 0 | 0 | 3  | 0 | 4 | 0 | 12    |
| South Groton | 4      | 3 | 3 | 4 | 8  | 1 | 2 | 0 | 25    |
| Totals       | 4      | 8 | 3 | 4 | 11 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 37    |

Boys 25

Girls 12

Pupils transported at district expense 9

### Tuitions Paid

High school

Plymouth—Rate \$63.38

Colby, Mildred

Grade 11

Elementary schools

Dorchester—Rate \$45.00

Stevens, Alice

Grade 3

Waldron, Larena

Grade 7

Waldron, Clarence

Grade 8

Rumney—Rate \$37.00

Fuller, Robert

Grade 5

Gosselin, John

Grade 4

Gosselin, Roseanna

Grade 3

## Summary

## High school

|                             |          |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Plymouth—1 pupil—total paid | \$ 63.38 |
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## Elementary schools

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| Dorchester—3 pupils | \$ 135.00 |
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| Rumney—3 pupils | 111.00 |
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| Total elementary tuition | \$ 246.00 |
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**Payments 1936-37, Budget 1937-38, and Proposed  
Budget 1938-39**

|                                  | Payments<br>1936-37 | Budget<br>1937-38 | Budget<br>1938-39 |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| District officers' salaries      | \$ 107.45           | \$ 103.60         | \$ 107.45         |
| Superintendent's salary          | 100.00              | 101.18            | 101.18            |
| Truant officer and school census | 11.50               | 10.00             | 10.00             |
| Expenses of administration       | 45.76               | 35.00             | 45.00             |
| Teachers' salaries               | 1,770.00            | 1,770.00          | 1,800.00          |
| Text books                       | 46.04               | 42.94             | 45.00             |
| Scholars' supplies               | 46.97               | 50.00             | 50.00             |
| Flags                            | .....               | .....             | 1.00              |
| Other expense of instruction     | 9.46                | 10.00             | 10.00             |
| Janitor service                  | 72.00               | 72.00             | 72.00             |
| Fuel                             | 116.00              | 70.50             | 70.00             |
| Janitor's supplies               | 28.92               | 30.00             | 30.00             |
| Repairs and expenses             | * 247.58            | 250.00            | 50.00             |
| Medical inspection               | 51.51               | 63.26             | 65.00             |
| Transportation                   | 665.10              | 900.00            | 900.00            |
| High school tuition              | 106.18              | 63.38             | 65.00             |
| Elementary tuition               | 263.97              | 246.00            | 201.00            |
| Per capita tax                   | 82.00               | 94.00             | 100.00            |
| Insurance                        | .....               | 67.50             | .....             |
| New equipment                    | 33.88               | .....             | .....             |
| Bills previous year              | 60.00               | .....             | .....             |
| Totals                           | \$ 3,864.32         | \$ 3,979.36       | \$ 3,722.63       |

\* Includes money spent on painting.

### School Board's Estimate for 1938-39

School Board's statement of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1938.

Detailed statement of expenditures:

\* Support of schools

|   |             |             |
|---|-------------|-------------|
| Teachers' salaries                      | \$ 1,800.00 |             |
| Text books                              | 45.00       |             |
| Scholars' supplies                      | 50.00       |             |
| Flags and appurtenances                 | 1.00        |             |
| Other expenses of instruction           | 10.00       |             |
| Janitor service                         | 72.00       |             |
| Fuel                                    | 70.00       |             |
| Water, light, janitors' supplies        | 30.00       |             |
| Minor repairs and expenses              | 50.00       |             |
| Health supervision (medical inspection) | 65.00       |             |
| Transportation of pupils                | 900.00      |             |
| Payment of elementary tuitions          | 201.00      |             |
|   | <hr/>       | \$ 3,294.00 |

Other statutory requirements

|   |           |           |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| Salaries of district officers (fixed by district)                     | \$ 107.45 |           |
| Truant officer and school census (fixed by district)                  | 10.00     |           |
| Payment of tuition in high schools and academies (estimated by board) | 65.00     |           |
| Superintendent's excess salary (fixed by supervisory union)           | 101.18    |           |
| Per capita tax (reported by state treasurer)                          | 100.00    |           |
| Other obligations   | 45.00     |           |
|   | <hr/>     | \$ 428.63 |

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| Total amount required to meet<br>school board's budget | \$ 3,722.63 |
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\* \$3.50 per \$1,000 of **taxable inventory** is **minimum** required by law in addition to per capita tax and salaries of district officers.

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| Estimated income of district:  |             |
| State aid (December 1938 allotment)  | \$ 409.42   |
| Dog tax (estimate)   | 25.00       |
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| Deduct total estimated income (not raised by taxation)   | \$ 434.42   |
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| † Assessment required to balance school board's budget   | \$ 3,288.21 |
| Special appropriation proposed   |             |
| Painting schoolhouse at North and South Groton (inside), screens for windows and doors and other repairs | \$ 100.00   |
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| Total assessment required to cover budget and appropriations   | \$ 3,388.21 |

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† \$5 per \$1,000 of **equalized valuation** must be raised for **elementary schools** to qualify for state aid. The net assessment must contain this amount in addition to funds raised for high school maintenance and other statutory requirements.

FLORA MATTHEWS,  
ANNIE M. ESTY,  
CYNTHIA A. WHITE,  
School Board.

Groton, N. H., Feb. 12, 1938.

## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

### To the School Board of Groton:

It was with genuine pleasure that after the opening of schools in September I found myself again serving the people and pupils in the town of Groton where I worked several years ago.

This part of my report will necessarily be brief because of the short time that I have served: the other part of the report will be statistical in its nature.

One of the tables will show that for the year 1936-37 forty-five pupils were registered, that there was an average daily attendance of 30.3 pupils, and an average daily absence of 2.9 pupils making the per cent of attendance 91.2. There were 20 visits by the superintendent, 13 by the school nurse, 9 by members of the school board, and 59 parents and citizens visited the school and saw the pupils at their daily work.

Schools opened Sept. 7, with one change in teachers. Mrs. Myrtle Craig of Rumney was placed in the North Groton school.

Groton has now two experienced teachers and the service each is giving to the district is very worth while.

The enrollment for the time up to Dec. 31 was 37. The per cent of attendance for that time was very good. At present there are no eighth grade pupils and for this reason very little money will have to be raised for high school tuition for the coming year.

Shifting pupils, from one town to another, is giving many school districts much concern, and Groton is not escaping. The seating capacity of the South Groton school is almost reaching its limit.

The school board is performing a real service in keeping the equipment up to date. The board has been very co-operative, and the members want good schools. The district is to be congratulated.

EARL P. FREESE,  
Superintendent of Schools.







